

Summary Information for Ranking National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program Proposals

Title:

Costs: Coastal Wetlands Program Request
 State
 Other (Federal)
 Other (Non-Federal) Total

Summary: Include a 2-5 sentence paragraph describing the project and its resource benefits.

(1) Wetlands Conservation: What is the breakdown by habitat type for the wetlands being conserved?

Habitat type	Number of acres	Percentage of total project area
Declining coastal wetlands		
Stable coastal wetlands		
Total wetlands		
Upland		
Total project acres		

(2) Maritime Forest on Coastal Barriers: What plant species are present that are indicative of maritime forest as defined in the criteria?

Common name	Scientific name	Prevalence (rare, common, predominant)

(3) Long-term conservation: How long will the habitat benefits be provided by the project?

	Benefits in perpetuity (number of acres)	Benefits for 26-99 years (number of acres)	Benefits for 10-25 years (number of acres)
Easements			
Fee-title (no restoration)			
Fee-title (that will also be restored)			
Not acquired, Restored only			
Not acquired, Enhanced only			
Other (please explain)			
Total			

(4) Coastal watershed management: How will this project help achieve the goals of specific management plans and efforts?

Management plan or effort	How this project helps implement its goals

(5a) Conservation of threatened and endangered species: What are the benefits to federally listed species, candidates, or recently delisted species?

Common name	Scientific name	Status	Project benefits	Does the project support goals of a Recovery Plan or HCP? List plan and goal.

(5b) What are the benefits to State species of concern?

Common name	Scientific name	Status	Project benefits	Does the project support goals of a specific Recovery Plan? List plan and goal.

(6) Benefits to fish: What are benefits to anadromous, interjurisdictional, and other important species?

Common name	Scientific name	Project benefits	Does the project help meet specific management goals? List plan and goal.

(7) Coastal-dependent or migratory birds: What are the benefits to specific coastal-dependent or migratory species?

Common name	Scientific name	Benefits	Does project help meet the goals of a specific management plan? List plan and goal.

(8) Prevent or reduce contamination: What are the contaminants benefits?

Contaminant	Benefits	Does project help meet the goals of a specific management plan? List plan and goal.

(9) Catalyst for future conservation: What other conservation efforts that would benefit from this project?

Projects	Benefits

(10) Partners in conservation: What are the sources and amounts of financial support being provided by partners?

Organizations/individuals providing match	Monetary value of support

(11) Federal share reduced: Is the Federal match share reduced by contributions from State and other non-Federal sources? To what extent? (See instructions for guidance on the calculation.)

Total project costs	
Required State match	
Additional cash contribution	
Percent increase over required match (see instructions)	

(12) Education/outreach or wildlife-oriented recreation: What site-specific educational or outreach programs or wildlife-oriented recreation programs or products are made possible by this project?

Site-specific programs or products	Audience/Participants	Estimated size of audience/participants

(13) Other factors: What other benefits does the project provide?

Other factors	How the project addresses them

Other considerations/tie-breakers:

1) **Is the habitat imminently threatened?**

Yes No

Threat(s)	Severity

2. **Does the site have unique and significant diversity?**

Yes No

Unique biodiversity	Supportive evidence

3) **What are the costs per acre?** (Lesser costs would be preferable, all other factors being equal).

Habitat conservation approach	Costs per acre
Acquisition	
Easements	
Restoration	

4a) **Are there new sources of funds, lands, or services being applied to this project?** (As opposed to lands already owned by the State or third party that are being offered as match).

Yes No

(4b) **What percentage of the funds, lands, or services is new?** percent.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUMMARY INFORMATION FOR RANKING
NATIONAL COASTAL WETLANDS CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM PROPOSALS

A. Prepare your grant proposal.

B. Guidance and examples for calculation for question #11.

NOTE TO APPLICANTS AND REVIEWERS: *The purpose of this criteria is to increase the amount of match dollars from non-Federal sources. This decreases the need for Federal match dollars, so that Federal dollars can help more projects.*

Documentation of each partner's financial commitment must accompany the proposal to receive points.

If the State itself provides the excess match they should receive credit for reducing the Federal share.

Each 5 percent above the required match would be approximately equal to 1 point.

The following two examples, using both a 50 and 75 percent Federal match share, define a 10 percent increase in a State's match amount.

EXAMPLE 1 - 50 Percent Federal Match

If the total project costs are:	\$ 100,000
Then the required State match share is:	\$ 50,000
If the State or a partner provides an additional cash contribution equal to 10 percent of the \$50,000*:	\$5,000

This is defined as a 10 percent increase in the State match

EXAMPLE 2 - 75 Percent Federal Match

If the total project costs are:	\$ 100,000
Then the required State match share is:	\$ 25,000
If the State or a partner provides an additional cash contribution equal to 10 percent of the \$25,000*:	\$2,500

This is defined as a 10 percent increase in the State match.

** From sources other than Federal agencies. Natural Resource Damage Assessment funds may in some cases be defined as "non-Federal." See discussion under 50 CFR 84.46 "What are the cost sharing requirements?"*

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